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"**Lots o' folk confuse bad management with destiny.**"—*Hubbard.*

Foreword

It has been felt keenly for some time that the Association needed a publication by means of which members and friends could become more familiar with its objects and activities. The "Madras Young Men" has been issued to meet that need. No attempt will be made to print articles but rather the news and items of interest which concern the Association constituency. Any member who wishes the bulletin sent by post should remit annas 6; otherwise the copy may be obtained at the office free of charge.

SCHEDULE

July 1. School of Commerce opens.
„ 2. Reorganization of Tennis Club.
„ 3. Devotional Meeting, Committee Room, Friday, 5-30 P.M.
„ 4. Bible Class, School of Commerce, 9 A.M.
„ 5. Studies in Christian Character—"The Intellectual"—Revd. J. E. Neill, Y. M. C. A. Auditorium, Sunday, 4 P.M.
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„ 13. Executive Committee of Board of Directors, Y. M. C. A., 8 A.M.
„ 14. Board of Directors' monthly meeting, Committee Room, 5-30 P.M.

SCHOOL OF COMMERCE

Enrolment in these classes has already commenced and regular work will begin on the 6th of July. When enrolling themselves, students should apply for an admission ticket which must be produced at the time of joining the different classes. Admissions will close about the middle of July.

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The following candidates are declared to have passed in the Government Technical Examinations held in April last :—

Advanced	Correspondence	Ahmed Ali Khan
Do.	Typewriting	D. J. Sunderaraj (written test)
Intermediate	do.	V. Benjamin do.
Do.	Commercial Geography	K. C. M. Sharma
Elementary	Banking	T. Runganathan
Do.	Typewriting	8 passes in the written test
Do.	Book-keeping	
Do.	Correspondence	

The results of the other examinations will be published in due course. This year the English class will be made more attractive by the addition of special elementary courses on Hygiene and Physiology. As far as possible the study of English will be made compulsory in the case of those who are already employed and this course will be strengthened.

STUDENT DEPARTMENT

Sunday Meetings.—During the first term, six series of addresses have been arranged as follows. Subjects will be announced later.

July 5, 12, 19, 26.	Revd. J. E. Neill.
Aug. 2, 9, 16, 23.	,, W. J. Tunbridge.
Sept. 6, 13, 20.	,, A.E.L. Moore
Oct. 4, 11, 18, 25.	,, W. Meston.
Nov. 1, 8, 15, 22.	,, J.S.M. Hooper.
Nov. 29, and Dec. 6, 13.	
	F. E. Corley, Esq., M. A.

Beach Meetings.—A series of meetings for students will be held on the beach opposite the Presidency College on August 28, 29, and 30 at 5-30 p.m. Invite your friends. Rev. D.G.M. Leith is chairman of the series and other speakers will be duly announced.

Prize Contests.—The following literary activities are being arranged and contests will be held during the term in the Y. M. C. A. Auditorium.

1. *Intercollegiate Debate*—"Student Department Cup". Open to teams of two members chosen by the literary societies of the Arts colleges.

2. *Intercollegiate Oratorical Contest.*—"Association Gold Medal."

3. *Prize Essay*—Rupees fifty (Rs. 50) Limited to student members of the Y. M. C. A.

4. Vernacular recitations :

(*a*) Sanskrit	Silver	Medal
(*b*) Tamil	do.	do.
(c) Telugu	do.	do.
(*d*) Malayalam	do.	do.

The selections for recitation will be chosen by competent judges before the final date of contest.

MUSICAL CONTEST

5. Silver Medal. Open to all members of the Y. M. C. A.

Inter-Hostel Athletics—

1. Football Tournament	"Tawker" Cup.
2. Tennis Singles	"Rich" Cup.
3. Tennis Doubles	"Association" Cup
4. Badminton	"Secretaries" Cup

These contests are open to teams from any student hostel in the city. Students playing in Intercollegiate tournament will not be permitted to enter. Details of entry will be given later.

Student Hand-book.—The name of "The Madras Students' Diary" has been changed to "The Madras Students' Hand-

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book" and has appeared in an entirely new form. It contains valuable information on City and University interests, health, athletics, etc. Three thousand and five hundred copies will be distributed to students in the colleges as application is made for them through the college branches of the Y. M. C. A.

BOYS' BRANCH

The boys' portion of the building has been very quiet during the vacation but now that the schools are open various sounds indicate that surplus youthful energy is finding expression in clean healthy games. Pingpong, chess, draughts, crockinole and reading of magazines are fully occupied during the evenings. There is discussion of formation of committees and beginning the various clubs such as football, badminton, literary, Bible, social and membership. Volley ball, a new game on the athletic field is becoming quite the thing.

Recently the boys enjoyed an At Home given by Mr. Manuel at the Lodge in Chintadripet. Another indication of Mr. Manuel's continued interest in his old work is an annual prize of Rs. 10 which he has promised to be given to the boy who earns the highest average of points in athletics and Bible study. The prize is to be known as the Arumai Packiam Medal.

A social to welcome the new members will be held within a fortnight and Bible classes are soon to be organized.

PHYSICAL DEPARTMENT

Football.—Three matches were played during the vacation. The results were as follows:—

Association	vs.	Royal Dublin Fusl'rs.	1 goal to 2
Do.	vs.	do.	1 all
Do.	vs.	Vepery Eleven	5 goals to 1

The subscription for the Football club is one rupee for six months, and should be paid at the office before July 15th. Only members who are regular at practice will be chosen to represent the Association in matches.

Tennis.—One of the Tennis courts has been entirely rebuilt and the other repaired. The rules of the club have been revised. Ask for the rules at the office or the Club Secretary. From the 1st of July the subscription for the senior court will be Rs. 1-4-0 per month and for the junior Re. 1 per month.

King's Birthday celebration—A costume football match, the first of its kind—Hostels *vs.* Association Team was played on June 22nd. It proved a success in spite of bad weather. The costumes worn were those of the Doctor, Wardboy, Nurse, Iyengar, Subramania Iyer, Pandit, American Red Indian, Sannyasi, Sailor, Singhalese, Burmese, Turk, John Bull, Postman, Railway guard, Humpty-dumpty and Clowns. The nurse won the prize which was kindly offered by Mr. Morris of Tuticorin. Mr. P. E. Devadasen, Chairman of the Athletic Committee acted as Referee. The match ended in a draw-one all. Members and friends were entertained to tea.

THE TEAMS IN COSTUME

Library.—The regular readers will find the former list of periodicals with the following additions:—World's Work—a description of public activities in all countries; Round Table Politics of the British Empire; Scientific American; International Review of Missions; The East and the West; National Geographical—one of the best illustrated magazines published; Religious Education; Outlook; Modern Review; North American Student. The old familiar journals are still received regularly, such as Contemporary Review, Strand; Nineteenth Century; Review of Reviews; Indian Social Reformer; Young Men of India; London News; Times of India; Indian Review; Spectator; Statesman; East and West and daily papers. By the end of July all magazines will be bound in attractive covers, an improvement that all readers will appreciate without doubt. The furniture has been repaired, cleaned and varnished during the vacation which adds to the attractiveness of the room. The Library needs badly a supply of new standard books and any suggestions as to resources or gifts of books will be highly appreciated.

Personals.—The membership will be pleased to note from the papers that the Hon. Mr. R. C. C. Carr has been appointed to the Imperial Council to succeed Mr. Wynch resigned.

Congratulations are due to Mr. Arthur Davies as he has been honored with a Kaiser-i-Hind gold medal, an honor which has come as the result of his earnest philanthropic effort.

It is with regret that the resignation of Mr. Wynch from

the Board of Directors has been made necessary by his retirement from service in India. Mr. Wynch has assisted the Association in many ways unknown to the public and before his departure presented the library with a handsome set of the Encyclopaedia Britannica. Once again, a valuable friend of the Association has been lost from the Madras community by reason of retirement. Retirements, absence on leave, transfers, &c. make very difficult the cultivation of a permanent constituency to guide the policy of the Association through the years.

Brig. Gen. Bond in an interesting letter to the General Secretary, extends his greetings to the Board of Directors and the friends of the Association.

On Wednesday, June 17, Mr. V. Benjamin, Office Secretary, and Miss Akaikalam Jayamoni Jesudasen were married at St. Paul's Church, Vepery. Congratulations are extended to Mr. Benjamin and best wishes to them both as they enter their new home-life.

Mr. C. W. Whitehair has accepted the position of Student Secretary at Cornell University, one of the leading American institutions. Mrs. Whitehair and the children are doing well but are unable to return to India.

It is to be regretted that both Mr. David and Mr. Edwards have resigned to continue their College courses this month. Until their successors are chosen, they will continue to give such attention to their former duties as time will permit.

Mr. Manuel is very busy studying the problems of a rural Secretary particularly the organization of Co-operative Societies. The best wishes of his old friends especially the Boys' Branch are extended to him in his larger sphere of usefulness.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman are quite happy over the arrival of a new son—Randall Stuart—born May 29 at Kodaikanal.

Mr. and Mrs. Slack will be missed from the building where during the past year they have cultivated many friendships. Mrs. Slack's drawing-room had become quite an attraction for the students. They will spend July and August in Ceylon after which they go to Lahore for a year.

The many friends of Mrs. Worman will be glad to know that she is very much refreshed by her vacation on the Hills. The students will now be looking forward to pleasant evenings at Woodlands, Kilpauk, where previously they were accustomed to enjoy tennis, music and interesting discussions.

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